GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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ENHANCEMENT OF FREEDOM FIGHTERS PENSION
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of pension presently admissible to various categories of freedom fighters, category-wise;

(b) whether the Government has any proposal to enhance the pension of freedom fighters;

(c) if so, the details thereof, category-wise; and

(d) the time by which such proposals would come into effect?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO H. GAVIT)

(a) : The basic pension of freedom fighters and spouses of deceased freedom fighters was recently enhanced by an amount of Rs. 2,330/- per month. The date of giving effect to this enhancement is 2nd October 2006, the birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, the founder of the Satyagraha movement and the father of the Nation. At present, the amount of basic pension and dearness relief payable per month to various categories of freedom fighters and their eligible dependents is as below:

S. No.	Category	Basic Pension (Rs.)	Dearness Relief (currently 58% of the basic pension) (Rs.)
i(a)	Ex-Andaman political prisoners	7,330/-	4,251/-
(b)	Freedom fighters who suffered outside British India(other than INA)	6,830/-	3,961/-
ii.	Other freedom fighters (including INA)	6,330/-	3,671/-
iii.	Widow/widower of above categories of freedom fighters	Entitlement same as of respective deceased freedom fighter	Entitlement same as of respective deceased freedom fighter
iv.	Unmarried & unemployed daughters (upto three)	1,500/- each	870/- each

v. Mother and father 1,000/- each 580/- each

The rate of dearness relief is revised every year, with effect from 1st August.

(b) : No, Sir.

(c) & (d) : Does not arise.